BUILDING MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL 2005

COMMITTEE STAGE

Amendments to be moved by the Secretary for Home Affairs

Clause

Amendment Proposed

2 By deleting the clause and substituting -

"2. Commencement

This Ordinance shall come into operation on a day to be appointed by the Secretary for Home Affairs by notice published in the Gazette.".

3(c) In the proposed definition of "member", by deleting "paragraph 2(1)(a) or 5(2)(a) of Schedule 2" and substituting "section 14(2) or paragraph 2(1)(b), 5(2)(a), 6 or 6A of Schedule 2".

New By adding -

"3A. Section added

The following is added in Part I -

"2B. References to majority of votes

For the avoidance of doubt, in determining whether a resolution is passed by a majority of the votes of owners, or members of a management committee, at a meeting convened under this Ordinance, the following shall be disregarded -

- (a) owners or members, as the case maybe, who are not present at themeeting;
- (b) owners or members, as the case maybe, who are present at the meetingbut do not vote;
- (c) blank or invalid votes;
- (d) abstentions.".".
- 4(b) In the proposed section 3(2)(a), in the Chinese text, by deleting "多數票" and substituting "過半數票".
- 4(c) (a) In the proposed section 3(3)(a), by deleting "any person referred to in subsection (1)(b)" and substituting "the person referred to in subsection (1)(b) (if any)".
 - (b) In the proposed section 3(3)(b), by deleting "any person referred to in subsection (1)(a)" and substituting "the person referred to in subsection (1)(a) (if any)".
 - (c) In the proposed section 3(3)(c), by deleting "any person referred to in subsection (1)(a) or (b)" and substituting "the person referred to in subsection

(1)(a) or (b) (if any)".

- (d) By deleting the proposed section 3(4)(b) and substituting -
 - "(b) the resolutions that are to be proposed at the meeting and are related only to the appointment of a management committee and the incorporation of the owners.".
- (e) In the proposed section 3(6), by deleting everything after "building" and substituting a full stop.
- (f) In the proposed section 3(10)(a)(ii), by deleting "sealed or stamped with the seal or stamp" and substituting "impressed with the seal or chop".
- (g) By deleting the proposed section 3(10)(b) and (c) and substituting -
 - "(b) the instrument appointing a proxy shall be lodged with the convenor at least 48 hours before the time for the holding of the meeting;
 - (c) the instrument appointing a proxy is valid only ifit is made and lodged in accordance with paragraphs(a) and (b);
 - (d) a proxy appointed by an owner to attend and vote on behalf of the owner shall, for the purposes of the meeting, be treated as being the owner present at the meeting; and

- (e) where an instrument appointing a proxy is lodged with the convenor, the convenor shall -
 - (i) acknowledge receipt of the instrument by leaving a receipt at the flat of the owner who made the instrument, or depositing the receipt in the letter box for that flat, before the time for the holding of the meeting;
 - (ii) determine the validity of the instrument in accordance with paragraph (c); and
 - (iii) display information of the owner's flat in a prominent place in the place of the meeting before the time for the holding of the meeting, and cause the information to remain so displayed until the conclusion of the meeting.".

(h) By adding -

"(11) Subject to subsection (12), the convenor shall keep all the instruments for the appointment of proxies that have been lodged with him for a period of at least 12 months after the conclusion of the meeting.

(12) Where a management committee is appointed at a meeting of owners convened under this section -

- (a) the convenor shall deliver to the management committee immediately after the conclusion of the meeting all the instruments for the appointment of proxies that have been lodged with him; and
- (b) the management committee shall keep the instruments for a period of at least 12 months after the conclusion of the meeting.

(13) Subject to subsection (14), where a meeting of owners convened under this section is adjourned, subsections (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11) and (12) shall apply to the adjourned meeting as they apply to the original meeting.

(14) Where a meeting of owners convened under this section is adjourned, a valid instrument appointing a proxy made for the purposes of the original meeting shall remain valid for the purposes of the adjourned meeting unless -

- (a) contrary intention is shown on the instrument;
- (b) the instrument is revoked; or

- (c) the instrument is replaced by a new instrument appointing a proxy.".
- 5(c) (a) In the proposed section 3A(3A), by deleting "any person referred to in section 3(1)(a) or (b)" and substituting "the person referred to in section 3(1)(a) or (b) (if any)".
 - (b) By deleting the proposed section 3A(3B)(b) and substituting -
 - "(b) the resolutions that are to be proposed at the meeting and are related only to the appointment of a management committee and the incorporation of the owners.".
 - (c) In the proposed section 3A(3D), by deleting everything after "building" and substituting a full stop.
 - (d) In the proposed section 3A(3H)(a)(ii), by deleting "sealed or stamped with the seal or stamp" and substituting "impressed with the seal or chop".
 - (e) By deleting the proposed section 3A(3H)(b) and (c) and substituting -
 - "(b) the instrument appointing a proxy shall be lodged with the convenor at least 48 hours before the time for the holding of the meeting;

- (c) the instrument appointing a proxy is valid only if it is made and lodged in accordance with paragraphs(a) and (b);
- (d) a proxy appointed by an owner to attend and vote on behalf of the owner shall, for the purposes of the meeting, be treated as being the owner present at the meeting; and
- (e) where an instrument appointing a proxy is lodged with the convenor, the convenor shall -
 - (i) acknowledge receipt of the instrument by leaving a receipt at the flat of the owner who made the instrument, or depositing the receipt in the letter box for that flat, before the time for the holding of the meeting;

 - (iii) display information of the owner's flat in a prominent place in the place of the meeting before the time for the holding of the meeting, and cause the information to remain so displayed until the conclusion of the meeting.".

(f) By adding -

"(3I) Subject to subsection (3J), the convenor shall keep all the instruments for the appointment of proxies that have been lodged with him for a period of at least 12 months after the conclusion of the meeting.

(3J) Where a management committee is appointed at a meeting of owners convened under this section -

- (a) the convenor shall deliver to the management committee immediately after the conclusion of the meeting all the instruments for the appointment of proxies that have been lodged with him; and
- (b) the management committee shall keep the instruments for a period of at least 12 months after the conclusion of the meeting.

(3K) Subject to subsection (3L), where a meeting of owners convened under this section is adjourned, subsections (3A), (3B), (3C), (3D), (3E), (3F), (3G), (3H), (3I) and (3J) shall apply to the adjourned meeting as they apply to the original meeting. (3L) Where a meeting of owners convened under this section is adjourned, a valid instrument appointing a proxy made for the purposes of the original meeting shall remain valid for the purposes of the adjourned meeting unless -

- (a) contrary intention is shown on the instrument;
- (b) the instrument is revoked; or
- (c) the instrument is replaced by a new instrument appointing a proxy.".
- 6(b) (a) In the proposed section 4(5), by deleting "any person referred to in section 3(1)(a) or (b)" and substituting "the person referred to in section 3(1)(a) or (b) (if any)".
 - (b) By deleting the proposed section 4(6)(b) and substituting -
 - "(b) the resolutions that are to be proposed at the meeting and are related only to the appointment of a management committee and the incorporation of the owners.".
 - (c) In the proposed section 4(8), by deleting everything after "building" and substituting a full stop.

- (d) In the proposed section 4(12)(a)(ii), by deleting "sealed or stamped with the seal or stamp" and substituting "impressed with the seal or chop".
- (e) By deleting the proposed section 4(12)(b) and (c) and substituting -
 - "(b) the instrument appointing a proxy shall be lodged with the convenor at least 48 hours before the time for the holding of the meeting;
 - (c) the instrument appointing a proxy is valid only if it is made and lodged in accordance with paragraphs(a) and (b);
 - (d) a proxy appointed by an owner to attend and vote on behalf of the owner shall, for the purposes of the meeting, be treated as being the owner present at the meeting; and
 - (e) where an instrument appointing a proxy is lodged with the convenor, the convenor shall -
 - (i) acknowledge receipt of the instrument by leaving a receipt at the flat of the owner who made the instrument, or depositing the receipt in the letter box for that flat, before the time for the holding of the meeting;

- (iii) display information of the owner's flat in a prominent place in the place of the meeting before the time for the holding of the meeting, and cause the information to remain so displayed until the conclusion of the meeting.".

(f) By adding -

"(13) Subject to subsection (14), the convenor shall keep all the instruments for the appointment of proxies that have been lodged with him for a period of at least 12 months after the conclusion of the meeting.

(14) Where a management committee is appointed at a meeting of owners convened under this section -

(a) the convenor shall deliver to the management committee immediately after the conclusion of the meeting all the instruments for the appointment of proxies that have been lodged with him; and (b) the management committee shall keep the instruments for a period of at least 12 months after the conclusion of the meeting.

(15) Subject to subsection (16), where a meeting of owners convened under this section is adjourned, subsections (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11), (12), (13) and (14) shall apply to the adjourned meeting as they apply to the original meeting.

(16) Where a meeting of owners convened under this section is adjourned, a valid instrument appointing a proxy made for the purposes of the original meeting shall remain valid for the purposes of the adjourned meeting unless -

- (a) contrary intention is shown on the instrument;
- (b) the instrument is revoked; or
- (c) the instrument is replaced by a new instrument appointing a proxy.".
- 9(c) In the proposed section 7(3)(e), by deleting "paragraph 2(1)(a)" and substituting "paragraph 2(1)(b)".

New By adding -

"9A. Incorporation

Section 8 is amended by adding -

"(1A) The Land Registrar shall not issue a certificate of registration to more than one corporation for a building in respect of which a deed of mutual covenant is in force.".".

10 By deleting the clause and substituting -

"10. Land Registrar to maintain register of corporations

Section 12 is amended -

(a) in subsection (1), by adding ", and permit any person to inspect the register at any reasonable time to ascertain, in connection with the management of buildings, the particulars of a corporation entered in the register under subsection (2)" after "corporations";

(b) in subsection (2) -

- (i) by repealing paragraph (d) andsubstituting -
 - "(d) the name and address

of -

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(i)	the chairman
	of the
	management
	committee;
(ii)	the vice-
	chairman (if
	any) of the
	management
	committee;
(iii)	the
	secretary of
	the
	management
	committee;
(iv)	the
	treasurer of
	the
	management
	committee;
	and
(v)	any other
	person who
	is a member
	of the

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management

committee

but does not

fall within

the

description

of

subparagraph

- (i), (ii),
- (iii) or
- (iv);";

(ii) by adding -

"(da) the name and address

of the insurance

company with which

the corporation has

effected a policy of

insurance under

section 28(1) and

the period covered

by the policy of

insurance;".".

New By adding -

"10A. Powers of corporation generally

Section 14 is amended by adding -

"(4) Paragraph 6 of Schedule 2 shall, with necessary modifications, apply for the purposes of appointing an owner to replace a member of the management committee by the corporation under subsection (2), as it applies for the purposes of appointing an owner to fill a vacancy in a management committee by the corporation.".".

11(a) (a) By deleting subparagraph (ii) and substituting -

"(ii) by repealing "secretary, treasurer and other holders of office of the management committee appointed in accordance with the Second Schedule" and substituting "secretary and treasurer of the management committee appointed under section 14(2) or paragraph 2(1), 5(2), 6 or 6A of Schedule 2";".

(b) By adding -

"(iii) by adding "in aggregate" before "not exceeding";". 13 By deleting the clause and substituting -

"13. Supplies, goods and services

Section 20A is amended -

- (a) in subsection (2) -
 - (i) by repealing "Any" and substituting "Subject to subsection (2A), any";
 - (ii) in paragraph (a), by repealing
 "\$100,000" and substituting
 "\$200,000";
 - (iii) in paragraph (b), by repealing
 "as may be approved by the
 corporation by a resolution
 passed at a general meeting"
 and substituting "as the
 Authority may specify by notice
 in the Gazette";

(b) by adding -

"(2A) Subsection (2) does not apply to any supplies, goods or services which but for this subsection would be required to be procured by a corporation by invitation to tender (referred to in

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this subsection as "relevant

supplies, goods or services") if -

(a) the relevant supplies, goods or services are of the same type as any supplies, goods or services which are for the time being supplied to the

corporation by a
supplier; and

(b) the corporation decides by a resolution of the owners passed at a general meeting of the corporation that the relevant supplies, goods or services shall be procured from that supplier on such terms and conditions

as specified in the resolution, instead of by invitation to tender.

(2B) Where any supplies, goods or services are required under subsection (2)(b) to be procured by invitation to tender, whether a tender submitted for the purpose is accepted or not shall be decided by a resolution of the owners passed at a general meeting of the corporation.";

- (c) by repealing subsection (3);
- (d) by adding -

"(5) A contract for the procurement of any supplies, goods or services shall not be void by reason only that it does not comply with subsection (1).

(6) Where any supplies, goods or services are required under subsection (2) to be procured by invitation to tender, a contract for the procurement of the supplies, goods or services which does not comply with subsection (2) or (2B) -

> (a) subject to any resolution passed by the corporation under paragraph (b) or any order made by the court under subsection (7), shall not be void by reason only that it does not comply with subsection (2) or

> > (2B);

(b) subject to any order made by the court under subsection (7), may be avoided by the corporation by a resolution of the owners passed at a general meeting of the corporation but

only for the reason that it does not comply with subsection (2) or

(2B).

(7) In any legal proceedings in relation to a contract for the procurement of any supplies, goods or services to which subsection (2) or (2B) applies, the court may make such orders (including whether the contract is void or voidable) and give such directions in respect of the rights and obligations of the contractual parties as the court thinks fit having regard to all the circumstances of the case, including (but not limited to) the following factors -

(a) whether the supplies,goods or serviceshave been procured byinvitation to tender;

- (b) whether a general meeting of the corporation has been convened to consider the procurement of the supplies, goods or services;
- (c) whether the Code of Practice referred to in subsection (1) has been complied with;
- (d) whether the contract has been split, for the sole purpose of avoiding the compliance of the requirements in subsection (2) or (2B), from a contract which should have been made for the procurement of supplies, goods or
 - services of greater

value;

- (e) whether the supplies, goods or services were urgently required;
- (f) the progress of any activities or works in relation to the supplies, goods or services;
- (g) whether the owners
 have benefited from
 the contract;
- (h) whether the owners have incurred any financial loss due to the contract and the extent thereof;
- (i) whether the supplier
 of the supplies,
 goods or services
 under the contract
 has acted in good
 faith;

- (j) whether the supplier of the supplies, goods or services under the contract has benefited from the contract; and
- (k) whether the supplier of the supplies, goods or services under the contract has incurred any financial loss due to the contract and the extent thereof.

(8) For the purposes of

subsection (7), where the court makes an order that the contract is voidable at the instance of the corporation, it shall also make an order that a general meeting of the corporation be convened and held in such manner as the court thinks fit, so as to decide whether the contract is to be avoided. (9) For the avoidance of doubt, subject to section 29A, any person who enters into a contract for the procurement of any supplies, goods or services otherwise than in compliance with subsection (2) or, if applicable, subsection (2B) shall be personally liable for any claims arising from the contract.".".

New By adding -

"13A. Section added

The following is added -

"26A. Management committee to display information about legal proceedings

A management committee shall notify the owners of any legal proceedings to which the corporation is a party -

> (a) in the case of proceedings against the corporation, by displaying a notice containing the particulars of the proceedings in a prominent place in the building within 7 days of receiving any court documents

commencing the proceedings, and causing the notice to remain so displayed for at least 7 consecutive days;

(b) in the case of proceedings by the corporation, by displaying a notice containing the particulars of the proceedings in a prominent place in the building within 7 days of issuing any court documents commencing the proceedings, and causing the notice to remain so displayed for at least 7 consecutive days.".".

14 By deleting paragraph (a) and substituting -

"(a) in subsection (1), by repealing everything after "every 12 months," and substituting -

"financial statements which -

(a) shall be signed by -

(i) the chairman of the

management committee;

and

- (ii) the secretary or the treasurer of the management committee;
- (b) if subsection (1A) is applicable, shall be audited under that subsection; and
- (c) together with the accountant's report made under subsection (1A), if any, shall be laid before the corporation at the annual general meeting of the corporation convened in accordance with paragraph 1(1) of Schedule 3.";".
- 14(c) In subparagraph (ii), by deleting the full stop and substituting a semicolon.

14 By adding -

"(d) in subsection (4), by adding "the inspection of any documents referred to in such accounts and records," after "records),".". 15 In the proposed section 29A(1), by adding "and in a reasonable manner" after "in good faith".

16 By adding -

"(aa) by repealing the definition of "owners' committee" and substituting -

""owners' committee" (業主委員會), in relation

to a building, means the committee of owners (howsoever named) formed under or in accordance with the deed of mutual covenant in respect of the building.";".

17 By deleting the clause and substituting -

"17. Right to establish corporation and conduct business

Section 34J(4)(a) is amended by repealing "Part II" and substituting "section 3, 3A, 4 or 40C".

- 19(a) In the proposed section 40C(3), in the Chinese text, by deleting "多數票" and substituting "過半數票".
- 19(c) In the proposed section 40C(4), by deleting "any person referred to in section 3(1)(a) or (b)" and substituting "the person referred to in section 3(1)(a) or (b) (if any)".

- 19(d) (a) By deleting the proposed section 40C(5)(b) and substituting -
 - "(b) the resolutions that are to be proposed at the meeting and are related only to the appointment of a management committee, the incorporation of the owners and the appointment of a building management agent.".
 - (b) In the proposed section 40C(7), by deleting everything after "building" and substituting a full stop.
 - (c) In the proposed section 40C(11)(a)(ii), by deleting "sealed or stamped with the seal or stamp" and substituting "impressed with the seal or chop".
 - (d) By deleting the proposed section 40C(11)(b) and (c) and substituting -
 - "(b) the instrument appointing a proxy shall be lodged with the convenor at least 48 hours before the time for the holding of the meeting;
 - (c) the instrument appointing a proxy is valid only if it is made and lodged in accordance with paragraphs(a) and (b);

- (d) a proxy appointed by an owner to attend and vote on behalf of the owner shall, for the purposes of the meeting, be treated as being the owner present at the meeting; and
- (e) where an instrument appointing a proxy is lodged with the convenor, the convenor shall -
 - (i) acknowledge receipt of the instrument by leaving a receipt at the flat of the owner who made the instrument, or depositing the receipt in the letter box for that flat, before the time for the holding of the meeting;
 - (ii) determine the validity of the instrument in accordance with paragraph (c); and
 - (iii) display information of the owner's flat in a prominent place in the place of the meeting before the time for the holding of the meeting, and cause the information to remain so displayed until the conclusion of the meeting.".

(e) By adding -

"(12) Subject to subsection (13), the convenor shall keep all the instruments for the appointment of proxies that have been lodged with him for a period of at least 12 months after the conclusion of the meeting.

(13) Where a management committee or building management agent is appointed at a meeting of owners convened under this section -

- (a) the convenor shall deliver to the management committee or building management agent, as the case may be, immediately after the conclusion of the meeting all the instruments for the appointment of proxies that have been lodged with him; and
- (b) the management committee or building management agent, as the case may be, shall keep the instruments for a period of at least 12 months after the conclusion of the meeting.

(14) Subject to subsection (15), where a meeting of owners convened under this section is adjourned, subsections (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11), (12) and (13) shall apply to the adjourned meeting as they apply to the original meeting. (15) Where a meeting of owners convened under this section is adjourned, a valid instrument appointing a proxy made for the purposes of the original meeting shall remain valid for the purposes of the adjourned meeting unless -

- (a) contrary intention is shown on the instrument;
- (b) the instrument is revoked; or
- (c) the instrument is replaced by a new instrument appointing a proxy.".

20 By adding before paragraph (a) -

- "(aa) in subparagraph (i), by repealing "and the occupiers and owners of a building";
- (ac) by repealing subparagraph (v);".

20(a) By adding "insolvency or" before "winding up".

- 20 By deleting paragraph (b) and substituting -
 - "(b) by adding -

"(xi) the avoidance of any arrangements, agreements or understandings, or parts thereof, made or reached in respect of the liability of corporations towards third parties;".".

22 In the proposed Schedule 1A, by deleting Forms 1 and 2 and substituting -

"FORM 1

INSTRUMENT OF PROXY FOR MEETINGS OF OWNERS CONVENED UNDER SECTION 3, 3A, 4 OR 40C OF OR PARAGRAPH 8 OF SCHEDULE 8 TO THE BUILDING MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE (CAP. 344)

Meeting of the owners of

(description of building)

*[and at any adjournment thereof].

Dated this day of

(Signature of owner(s))

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*Delete where inapplicable.

FORM 2

INSTRUMENT OF PROXY FOR MEETINGS OF CORPORATION CONVENED UNDER PARAGRAPH 6A OF SCHEDULE 2 OR PARAGRAPH 1 OF SCHEDULE 3 TO THE BUILDING MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE (CAP. 344)

<pre>I/We,(name(s) of owner(s)),</pre>	
being the owner(s) of	
(unit and address of building),	
hereby appoint(name of proxy)	
*[or failing him	
alternative proxy)], as my/our proxy to attend and vote on	
my/our behalf at the [*general meeting/annual general meeting]	
of The Incorporated Owners of	
(description of building), to be held on the day	

of *[and at any adjournment thereof].

Dated this day of

(Signature of owner(s))

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*Delete where inapplicable.".

23(b) By adding "18," after "14,".

23 By deleting paragraph (c) and substituting -

"(c) by repealing paragraph 1 and substituting -

"1. (1) The number of members of a management

committee shall be as follows -

- (a) where the building contains not more than 50 flats, the number of members shall be not less than 3;
- (b) where the building contains more than 50 flats but not more than 100 flats, the number of members shall be not less than 7;

(c) where the building contains more than 100 flats, the number of members shall be not less than 9.

(2) Subject to subparagraph (1), the number of members of a management committee shall be decided by a resolution of the owners under paragraph 2(1)(a).

(3) Subject to subparagraph (1), the number of members of a management committee as decided under paragraph 2(1)(a) may be changed from time to time by a resolution of the owners passed at a general meeting of the corporation (except a general meeting of the corporation convened under paragraph 6A(1)).

(4) A management committee shall include the tenants' representative (if any) appointed under section 15(1).";".

23(d) (a) In subparagraph (i), by deleting the proposed paragraph 2(1) and substituting -

> "(1) At a meeting of owners convened under section 3, 3A, 4 or 40C, after a management committee is appointed -

- (a) the owners shall, by a resolution passed by a majority of the votes of the owners, decide the number of members of the management committee;
- (b) subject to subparagraph (2), the owners shall, by resolution, appoint, from amongst the owners, the members of the management committee;
- (c) the owners shall, by resolution -
 - (i) appoint a person, from amongst the members of the management committee, as the chairman of the management committee;
 - (ii) appoint a person, whether or not he is a member of the management committee, as the secretary of the management committee; and
 - (iii) appoint a person, whether or not he is a member of the management committee, as the treasurer of the management committee; and

(d) the owners may, by resolution, appoint a person, from amongst the members of the management committee, as the vicechairman of the management committee.".

(b) In subparagraph (ii) -

(i) by adding -

"(2A) For the purposes of appointing the members of a management committee under subparagraph (1)(b) -

- (a) where the number of candidates is not more than the number of members of the management committee to be appointed, the candidates shall be deemed to be appointed as members of the management committee, and a resolution to that effect shall be deemed to be passed under subparagraph (1)(b) accordingly;
- (b) where there are more candidates than the number of members of the management committee to be appointed -

(i) the votes shall be given and counted in accordance with the simple or relative majority system of voting (otherwise known as the "first past the post" system of voting), under which - (A) an owner may vote for not more than the number of

members of the

management

committee to be

appointed; and

(B) the candidatesto be appointedas members of

the management

committee are

those who obtain

the greatest number of votes and then the next greatest and so on until the required number of members of the management committee is appointed; if, after the counting is finished, a member of the management committee is still to be appointed and the most successful candidates remaining have an equal number of votes, the person who presides at the meeting shall determine the result

(ii)

by drawing lots, and the candidate on whom the lot falls is to be appointed as a member of the management committee.

(2B) For the purposes of appointing the chairman, vice-chairman (if applicable), secretary and treasurer of a management committee under subparagraph (1)(c) and (d) -

> (a) where there is only one candidate for the office of the chairman, vice-chairman, secretary or treasurer of the management committee, the candidate shall be deemed to be appointed as the chairman, vice-chairman, secretary or treasurer, as the case may be, of the management committee, and a resolution to that effect shall be deemed to be passed under subparagraph (1)(c) or (d), as the case may be,

accordingly;

- (b) where there is more than one candidate for the office of the chairman, vice-chairman, secretary or treasurer of the management committee
 - the votes shall be (i) given and counted in accordance with the simple or relative majority system of voting (otherwise known as the "first past the post" system of voting), under which the candidate to be appointed as the chairman, vicechairman, secretary or treasurer, as the case may be, of the management committee is the candidate who obtains the greatest

number of votes;

(ii) if, after the counting is finished, the most successful candidates for the office of the chairman, vicechairman, secretary or treasurer of the management committee have an equal number of votes, the person who presides at the meeting shall determine the result by drawing lots, and the candidate on whom the lot falls is to be appointed as the chairman, vicechairman, secretary or treasurer, as the case may be, of the management

committee.";

(ii) in the proposed paragraph 2(3) -

- (A) by deleting "subparagraph (1)(a)" and substituting "subparagraph (1)(b)";
- (B) by deleting "subparagraph (1)(c) or (d)"
 and substituting "subparagraph
 (1)(c)(ii) or (iii)";

(iii) in the proposed paragraph 2(4), by deleting
 "subparagraph (1)" and substituting
 "subparagraph (1)(b), (c) and (d)";

- (iv) in the proposed paragraph 2(4)(a), by
 deleting "section 3(8), (9) and (10)" and
 substituting "section 3(7), (8), (9), (10),
 (11), (12), (13) and (14)";
 - (v) in the proposed paragraph 2(4)(b), by deleting "section 3A(3F), (3G) and (3H)" and substituting "section 3A(3E), (3F), (3G), (3H), (3I), (3J), (3K) and (3L)";
- (vi) in the proposed paragraph 2(4)(c), by deleting "section 4(10), (11) and (12)" and substituting "section 4(9), (10), (11), (12), (13), (14), (15) and (16)";

- (vii) in the proposed paragraph 2(4)(d), by deleting "section 40C(9), (10) and (11)" and substituting "section 40C(8), (9), (10), (11), (12), (13), (14) and (15)".
- 23(e) By deleting "paragraph 2(1)(a)" and substituting "paragraph 2(1)(b)".
- 23(f) (a) In subparagraph (i) -
 - (i) in the proposed paragraph 4(1), by deleting "paragraphs 2(1)(a) and 5(2)(a)" and substituting "section 14(2) and paragraphs 2(1)(b), 5(2)(a), 6 and 6A";
 - (ii) in the proposed paragraph 4(1)(a), in the English text, by deleting "the person's creditors" and substituting "his creditors";
 - (iii) in the proposed paragraph 4(1)(b), by adding
 "in Hong Kong or any other place" after "an
 offence".
 - (b) By deleting subparagraph (ii) and substituting -

"(ii) in subparagraph (2) -

- (A) in sub-subparagraph (d), by adding "or, if the office of the secretary is vacant, the chairman of the management committee" after "committee";
- (B) in sub-subparagraph (e), by repealing ", or ceases to be qualified to be a member according to the deed of mutual covenant (if any), as the case may be";".
- (c) In subparagraph (iii) -
 - (i) in the proposed paragraph 4(3) -
 - (A) by deleting "paragraph 5(2)(a)" and substituting "section 14(2) or paragraph 2(1)(b), 5(2)(a), 6 or 6A";
 - (B) by deleting "14 days" and substituting
 "21 days";
 - (ii) by adding -

"(3A) A member of the management committee who fails to comply with subparagraph (3) shall cease to be such member.";

- (iii) in the proposed paragraph 4(4) -
 - (A) by deleting "section 7(3)(e) or";
 - (B) by deleting "14 days" and substituting "21 days";

(iv) by deleting the proposed paragraph 4(5) and substituting -

"(5) The secretary of the management committee shall -

- (a) after receiving a declaration by virtue of subparagraph (3) from a member of the management committee appointed under paragraph 2(1)(b), cause the declaration to be lodged with the Land Registrar within the period of 28 days referred to in section 7(1);
- (b) within 28 days after receiving a declaration by virtue of subparagraph (3) from a member of the management committee appointed under section 14(2) or paragraph 5(2)(a), 6 or 6A, or by virtue of subparagraph (4), lodge with the Land Registrar the declaration.".

23(g) (a) In subparagraph (ii), by deleting the proposed paragraph 5(2) and substituting -

"(2) At an annual general meeting of a corporation at which the members of the management committee retire under subparagraph (1) -

- (a) subject to subparagraph (2A), the corporation shall, by a resolution passed at the general meeting, appoint, from amongst the owners, the members of a new management committee;
- (b) the corporation shall, by a resolution passed at the general meeting -
 - (i) appoint a person, from amongst the members of the new management committee, as the chairman of the new management committee;
 - (ii) appoint a person, whether or not he is a member of the new management committee, as the secretary of the new management committee; and

- (iii) appoint a person, whether or not he is a member of the new management committee, as the treasurer of the new management committee; and
- (c) the corporation may, by a resolution passed at the general meeting, appoint a person, from amongst the members of the new management committee, as the vicechairman of the new management committee.".
- (b) In subparagraph (iii), by deleting the proposed paragraph 5(2A) and substituting -

"(2A) The tenants' representative appointed under section 15(1) shall be deemed to be appointed by the corporation as a member of the new management committee.

(2B) For the purposes of appointing the members of the new management committee under subparagraph (2)(a) -

(a) where the number of candidates is not
 more than the number of members of the
 new management committee to be appointed,
 the candidates shall be deemed to be
 appointed as members of the new
 management committee, and a resolution to

that effect shall be deemed to be passed under subparagraph (2)(a) accordingly;

- (b) where there are more candidates than the number of members of the new management committee to be appointed -
 - (i) the votes shall be given and counted in accordance with the simple or relative majority system of voting (otherwise known as the "first past the post" system of voting), under which -
 - (A) an owner may vote for not more than the number of members of the new management committee to be appointed; and
 - (B) the candidates to be appointed as members of the new management committee are those who obtain the greatest number of votes and then the next greatest and so on until

the required number of members of the new management committee is appointed;

(ii) if, after the counting is finished, a member of the new management committee is still to be appointed and the most successful candidates remaining have an equal number of votes, the person who presides at the meeting shall determine the result by drawing lots, and the candidate on whom the lot falls is to be appointed as a member of the new management committee.

(2C) For the purposes of appointing the chairman,
vice-chairman (if applicable), secretary and treasurer
of the new management committee under subparagraph
(2)(b) and (c) -

(a) where there is only one candidate for the office of the chairman, vice-chairman, secretary or treasurer of the new management committee, the candidate shall be deemed to be appointed as the chairman, vice-chairman, secretary or treasurer, as the case may be, of the new management committee, and a resolution to that effect shall be deemed to be passed under subparagraph (2)(b) or (c), as the case may be, accordingly;

- (b) where there is more than one candidate for the office of the chairman, vicechairman, secretary or treasurer of the new management committee -
 - (i) the votes shall be given and counted in accordance with the simple or relative majority system of voting (otherwise known as the "first past the post" system of voting), under which the candidate to be appointed as the chairman, vice-chairman, secretary or treasurer, as the case may be, of the new management committee is the candidate who obtains

the greatest number of votes;

- (ii) if, after the counting is finished, the most successful candidates for the office of the chairman, vice-chairman, secretary or treasurer of the new management committee have an equal number of votes, the person who presides at the meeting shall determine the result by drawing lots, and the candidate on whom the lot falls is to be appointed as the chairman, vice-chairman, secretary or treasurer, as the case may be, of the new management committee.".
- In subparagraph (iv), in the proposed paragraph 5(4), by (C) deleting "subparagraph (2)(c) or (d)" and substituting "subparagraph (2)(b)(ii) or (iii)".

23 By adding -

"(ga) in paragraph 5A -

by adding "or (3A)" after "paragraph 4(2)"; (i)

(ii) by repealing "if the secretary is not readily available, any other member" and substituting "if the office of the secretary is vacant, the chairman";

(gb) in paragraph 6 -

(i) by repealing subparagraph (1) and substituting -

"(1) Notwithstanding paragraph 1, subject to subparagraph (1A) and paragraph 6A, a vacancy in a management committee which occurs other than by reason of the expiration of the term of office may be filled by the corporation or the management committee under subparagraph (3), (4) or (5), as the case requires.";

(ii) by repealing subparagraph (1A) and substituting -

"(1A) If the vacancy is caused by the tenants' representative ceasing to be a member of the management committee for whatever reason, the vacancy may be filled by the approved association (within the meaning of section 15(2)) appointing a new tenants' representative under section 15(1).";

- (iii) by repealing subparagraphs (1B) and (2);
 - (iv) by adding -

"(3) If the vacancy occurs in the office of a member of a management committee (other than a vacancy caused by the tenants' representative ceasing to be a member of the management committee) -

- (a) the corporation may, by a resolution passed at a general meeting of the corporation, appoint an owner to fill the vacancy till the next annual general meeting of the corporation at which the members of the management committee retire under paragraph 5(1); or
- (b) if no general meeting of the corporation has been so convened or no appointment is made to

fill the vacancy at a general meeting so convened, the management committee may appoint an owner to fill the vacancy till the next general meeting of the corporation.

(4) If the vacancy occurs in theoffice of the chairman or vice-chairmanof a management committee -

(a) the corporation may, by a resolution passed at a general meeting of the corporation, appoint a person, from amongst the members of the management committee, to fill the vacancy till the next annual general meeting of the corporation at which the members of the management committee retire under paragraph

5(1); or

(b) if no general meeting of the corporation has been so convened or no appointment is made to fill the vacancy at a general meeting so convened, the members of the management committee may appoint a person, from amongst themselves, to fill the vacancy till the next general meeting of the corporation.

(5) If the vacancy occurs in the office of the secretary or treasurer of a management committee -

(a) the corporation may, by a resolution passed at a general meeting of the corporation, appoint a person, whether or not he is a member of the management committee, to

fill the vacancy till the
next annual general
meeting of the corporation
at which the members of
the management committee
retire under paragraph
5(1); or

(b) if no general meeting of the corporation has been so convened or no appointment is made to fill the vacancy at the general meeting so convened, the management committee may appoint a person, whether or not he is a member of the management committee, to fill the vacancy till the next general meeting of the corporation.

(6) A person who is not a member of a management committee does not by virtue of his appointment as the secretary or treasurer of the management committee under subparagraph (5)(a) or (b), as the case may be, become a member of the management committee.

(7) For the purposes of filling the vacancy occurring in the office of a member of a management committee under subparagraph (3)(a) -

- (a) where the number of candidates is not more than the number of members of the management committee to be appointed, the candidates shall be deemed to be appointed as members of the management committee, and a resolution to that effect shall be deemed to be passed under subparagraph (3)(a) accordingly;
- (b) where there are more candidates than the number of members of the

management committee to be appointed -

(i) the votes shall

be given and

counted in

accordance with

the simple or

relative

majority system

of voting

(otherwise known

as the "first

past the post"

system of

voting), under

which -

(A) an owner

may vote

for not

more than

the number

of members

of the

management

committee

to be

appointed;

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(B) the

candidates

to be

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as members

of the

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are those

who obtain

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number of

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number of

members of

the

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is

appointed;

(ii) if, after the

counting is

finished, a

member of the

management

committee is

still to be

appointed and

the most

successful

candidates

remaining have

an equal number

of votes, the

person who

presides at the

meeting shall

determine the result by drawing lots, and the candidate on whom the lot falls is to be appointed as a member of the management

committee.

(8) For the purposes of filling the vacancy occurring in the office of the chairman or vice-chairman of a management committee under subparagraph (4)(a), or the office of the secretary or treasurer of a management committee under subparagraph (5)(a) -

> (a) where there is only one candidate for the office of the chairman, vicechairman, secretary or treasurer of the management committee, the

candidate shall be deemed to be appointed as the chairman, vice-chairman, secretary or treasurer, as the case may be, of the management committee, and a resolution to that effect shall be deemed to be passed under subparagraph (4)(a) or (5)(a), as the case may be, accordingly;

- (b) where there is more than one candidate for the office of the chairman, vice-chairman, secretary or treasurer of the management committee -
 - (i) the votes shall be given and counted in accordance with the simple or relative

majority system of voting (otherwise known as the "first past the post" system of voting), under which the candidate to be appointed as the chairman, vicechairman, secretary or treasurer, as the case may be, of the management committee is the candidate who obtains the greatest number of votes;

(ii) if, after the counting is finished, the most successful candidates for the office of the chairman, vice-chairman, secretary or treasurer of the management committee have an equal number of votes, the person who presides at the meeting shall determine the result by drawing lots, and the candidate on whom the lot falls is to be

appointed as the chairman, vicechairman, secretary or treasurer, as the case may be, of the management committee.";

(gc) by adding -

"6A. (1) Notwithstanding paragraphs 1 and 9, where the number of vacancies occurring in the offices of members of a management committee is more than 50% of the number of members of the management committee as decided under paragraph 2(1)(a) or, if that number of members has been changed under paragraph 1(3), 50% of the number of members so changed -

(a) the chairman of the management
 committee may convene a general
 meeting of the corporation for the
 sole purpose of filling the
 vacancies in the management
 committee; or

(b) if one of the vacancies occurs in the office of the chairman of the management committee, the remaining members of the management committee may appoint a person, from amongst themselves, to convene a general meeting of the corporation for the sole purpose of filling the vacancies in the management committee.

(2) For the purposes of filling the vacanciesin a management committee under subparagraph(1) -

(a) paragraph 6(3)(a), (4)(a), (5)(a), (6), (7) and (8) shall apply as it applies where the number of vacancies occurring in the offices of members of a management committee is not more than 50% of the number of members of the management committee as decided under paragraph 2(1)(a) or, if that number of members has been changed under paragraph 1(3), 50% of the

number of members so changed; and

- (b) Schedule 3 (except paragraph 1 of that Schedule) shall, subject to the following modifications, apply as it applies to a general meeting of the corporation convened by a management committee -
 - (i) where the general meeting of the corporation is convened under subparagraph (1)(a) and one of the vacancies occurs in the office of the secretary of the management committee, the references to the secretary of the management committee in Schedule 3 shall be construed as references to the chairman of the management committee;

- (ii) where the general meeting of the corporation is convened under subparagraph (1)(b), the references to the chairman of the management committee in Schedule 3 shall be construed as references to the person appointed under that subparagraph to convene the meeting;
- (iii) where the general meeting of the corporation is convened under subparagraph (1)(b) and one of the vacancies occurs in the office of the secretary of the management committee, the references to the secretary of the management committee in Schedule 3 shall be

construed as references to the person appointed under that subparagraph to convene the meeting.";".

- 23(h) (a) By adding before subparagraph (i) -
 - "(ia) in subparagraph (1)(b), by adding ", and held within 21 days of receiving such request" after "such request";".
 - (b) In subparagraph (i), in the proposed paragraph 8(2), by adding "and (if the treasurer of the management committee is not a member of the management committee) the treasurer of the management committee" before the full stop.
 - (c) By deleting subparagraph (iii) and substituting -
 - "(iii) by repealing subparagraph (2A) and substituting "(2A) The notice of meeting may be given -
 - (a) by delivering it personally to the member of the management committee or (if the treasurer of the management committee is not a member of the management committee) the treasurer of the management committee;

- (b) by sending it by post to the member or, if applicable, the treasurer, at his last known address; or
- (c) by leaving it at the flat of the member or, if applicable, the treasurer or depositing it in the letter box for that flat.";".
- (d) In subparagraph (iv) -
 - (i) by adding "of the management committee" after"upon each member";
 - (ii) by adding "of the management committee and (if the treasurer of the management committee is not a member of the management committee) the treasurer of the management committee" after "to each member".
- 23 By adding -

"(ha) by repealing paragraph 10(4B) and substituting -"(4B) The secretary shall display the minutes certified in accordance with subparagraph (4A) in a prominent place in the building within 28 days of the date of the meeting of the management committee to which

the minutes relate, and cause the minutes to remain so displayed for at least 7 consecutive days.";".

By deleting paragraph (j) and substituting -23

"(j) in paragraph 11 -

- (i) in subparagraph (1) -
 - (A) by repealing "Notwithstanding any provision in a deed of mutual covenant to the contrary, where" and substituting "Where";
 - (B) by repealing everything after "in his own right" and substituting "and paragraph 4(1), (2)(a), (b), (c), (d) and (f), (3), (3A) and (4) shall apply to the authorized representative.";
- by repealing subparagraph (2) and (ii) substituting -

"(2) If an authorized representative ceases to be a member of a management committee under paragraph 4(2)(a), (b), (c), (d) or (f) or (3A), the body corporate may

appoint another authorized representative in his place, and paragraph 4(1), (2)(a), (b), (c), (d) and (f), (3), (3A) and (4) shall apply to that other authorized representative.".".

24 By adding -

- "(ba) in paragraph 1(2), by adding ", and hold the general meeting within 45 days of receiving such request" after "such request";".
- 24(d) In the Chinese text, by deleting subparagraph (iii) and substituting -
 - "(iii) 在第(3)節中,廢除"業主投票表決,以多數票"而代以"親自投票或 委派代表投票的業主以過半數票";".
- 24(e) (a) In subparagraph (ii), by deleting "sealed or stamped with the seal or stamp" and substituting "impressed with the seal or chop".
 - (b) In subparagraph (iii), in the proposed paragraph 4(3),by deleting "24 hours" and substituting "48 hours".
 - (c) By adding -

"(iv) by adding -

"(4) The instrument appointing a proxy is valid only if it is made and lodged in accordance with subparagraphs (2) and (3). (5) Where an instrument appointing a proxy is lodged with the secretary of the management committee -

(a) the secretary shall -

- (i) acknowledge receipt of the instrument by leaving a receipt at the flat of the owner who made the instrument, or depositing the receipt in the letter box for that flat, before the time for the holding of the meeting; and (ii) display information of the owner's flat
 - in a prominent place
 - in the place of the

meeting before the time for the holding of the meeting, and cause the information to remain so displayed until the conclusion of the meeting; and

(b) the chairman of the management committee or, if he is absent, the person who presides at the meeting, shall determine the validity of the instrument in accordance with subparagraph (4).

(6) The management committee shall keep all the instruments for the appointment of proxies that have been lodged with the secretary of the management committee for a period of at least 12 months after the conclusion of the meeting.";". 24 By adding -

"(ea) by repealing paragraph 5(2) and substituting -"(2) A proxy appointed by an owner to attend and vote on behalf of the owner at a

meeting of the corporation shall, for the purposes of the meeting, be treated as being the owner present at the meeting.";

(eb) by adding -

"5A. (1) Subject to subparagraph (2), where a meeting of the corporation convened under paragraph 1 is adjourned, paragraphs 2, 3, 4 and 5 shall apply to the adjourned meeting as they apply to the original meeting.

(2) Where a meeting of the corporation convened under paragraph 1 is adjourned, a valid instrument appointing a proxy made for the purposes of the original meeting shall remain valid for the purposes of the adjourned meeting unless -

> (a) contrary intention is shown on the instrument;

(b) the instrument is revoked; or

(c) the instrument is replaced by a new instrument appointing a proxy.";

(ec) by repealing paragraph 6(3) and substituting -

"(3) The secretary shall display the minutes certified in accordance with subparagraph (2) in a prominent place in the building within 28 days of the date of the general meeting to which the minutes relate, and cause the minutes to remain so displayed for at least 7 consecutive days.";".

- 24(f) By deleting the full stop at the end and substituting a semicolon.
- 24 By adding -

"(g) by repealing paragraph 9.".

- 25 By deleting paragraph (b) and substituting -
 - "(b) by repealing the heading and substituting -

"MAXIMUM ALLOWANCES PAYABLE TO CHAIRMAN, VICE-CHAIRMAN, SECRETARY AND TREASURER OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE";". 25(c) By deleting the full stop and substituting a semicolon.

25 By adding -

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"(d) in the heading of column 3, by adding "for each person" after "per month".".
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27 By adding -

"(ba) by adding -

"1A. The management committee shall -

- (a) at the request of not less than 5% of the owners, permit those owners or any person appointed by those owners to inspect any bills, invoices, vouchers, receipts or other documents referred to in paragraph 1 at any reasonable time; and
- (b) permit any person authorized by the court to inspect any bills, invoices, vouchers, receipts or other documents referred to in paragraph 1 at any reasonable time.

1B. For the purposes of paragraph 1A(b), an owner may apply to the court for an order authorizing the owner, or any other person named in the application, to inspect any bills, invoices, vouchers, receipts or other documents referred to in paragraph 1.

1C. The court may make an order under paragraph 1B only if it is satisfied that -

- (a) the application is made in goodfaith; and
- (b) the inspection applied for is for a proper purpose.";
- (bb) in paragraph 2, by repealing everything after "that period" and substituting ", display a copy of the summary in a prominent place in the building, and cause it to remain so displayed for at least 7 consecutive days.";".

28 By adding -

"(aa) in paragraph 1(2) -

- (i) in sub-subparagraph (b), by adding ", and cause it to remain so displayed for at least 7 consecutive days" after "in the building";
- (ii) in sub-subparagraph (e), by adding ", and cause it to remain so displayed for at least 7 consecutive days" after "in the building";".

28 By deleting paragraph (b) and substituting -

"(b) in paragraph 2 -

- (i) in subparagraph (2), by repealing everything after "expenditure" and substituting "and a balance sheet in respect of that period, display a copy of the summary and balance sheet in a prominent place in the building, and cause it to remain so displayed for at least 7 consecutive days.";
- (ii) in subparagraph (3), by adding ", display a copy of the income and expenditure account and balance sheet in a prominent place in the building, and cause it to remain so displayed for at least 7

consecutive days" after "that year";

(iii) in subparagraph (6), by repealing the

full stop and substituting -

"and -

- (a) permit any owner, at any reasonable time, to inspect the audited income and expenditure account and balance sheet and the report made by the accountant or auditor in respect of the income and expenditure account and balance sheet; and
- (b) on payment of a reasonable copying charge, supply any owner with a copy of the audited income and expenditure account and balance

sheet, or the report
made by the
accountant or auditor
in respect of the
income and
expenditure account
and balance sheet, or
both, as requested by
the owner.";".

28(e) By deleting the proposed paragraph 5(1) and (2) and substituting -

> "(1) Subject to subparagraphs (2) and (3), the manager shall not enter into any contract for the procurement of any supplies, goods or services the value of which exceeds or is likely to exceed the sum of \$200,000 or such other sum in substitution therefor as the Authority may specify by notice in the Gazette unless -

- (a) the supplies, goods or services areprocured by invitation to tender; and
- (b) the procurement complies with the Code of Practice referred to in section 20A(1).

(2) Subject to subparagraph (3), the manager shall not enter into any contract for the procurement of any supplies, goods or services the value of which exceeds or is likely to exceed a sum which is equivalent to 20% of the annual budget or such other percentage in substitution therefor as the Authority may specify by notice in the Gazette unless -

(a) if there is a corporation -

- (i) the supplies, goods or services are procured by invitation to tender;
- (ii) the procurement complies with the Code of Practice referred to in section 20A(1); and
- (iii) whether a tender submitted for the purpose is accepted or not is decided by a resolution of the owners passed at a general meeting of the corporation, and the contract is entered into with the successful tenderer; or

(b) if there is no corporation -

- (i) the supplies, goods or services are procured by invitation to tender;
- (ii) the procurement complies with the Code of Practice referred to in section 20A(1); and
- (iii) whether a tender submitted for the purpose is accepted or not is decided by a resolution of the owners passed at a general meeting convened and conducted in accordance with the deed of mutual covenant, and the contract is entered into with the successful tenderer.

(3) Subparagraphs (1) and (2) do not apply to any supplies, goods or services which but for this subparagraph would be required to be procured by invitation to tender (referred to in this subparagraph as "relevant supplies, goods or services") -

(a) where there is a corporation, if -

- (i) the relevant supplies, goods or services are of the same type as any supplies, goods or services which are for the time being supplied to the corporation by a supplier; and
- (ii) the corporation decides by a resolution of the owners passed at a general meeting of the corporation that the relevant supplies, goods or services shall be procured from that supplier on such terms and conditions as specified in the resolution, instead of by invitation to tender; or

(b) where there is no corporation, if -

 (i) the relevant supplies, goods or services are of the same type as any supplies, goods or services which are for the time being supplied to the owners by a supplier; and (ii) the owners decide by a resolution of the owners passed at a general meeting convened and conducted in accordance with the deed of mutual covenant that the relevant supplies, goods or services shall be procured from that supplier on such terms and conditions as specified in the resolution, instead of by invitation to tender.".

28(g) (a) By deleting subparagraph (i).

- (b) By deleting subparagraph (ii) and substituting "(ii) by repealing subparagraph (1) and substituting "(1) Subject to subparagraph (5A), at a
 general meeting convened for the purpose, a
 corporation may, by a resolution (a) passed by a majority of the
 - votes of the owners voting either personally or by proxy; and

(b) supported by the owners of notless than 50% of the shares inaggregate,

terminate by notice the DMC manager's
appointment without compensation.";".

(c) By deleting subparagraph (v) and substituting -

"(v) by repealing subparagraph (4);".

(d) By adding -

"(via) in subparagraph (5A)(b), by repealing

"subparagraph (1)" and substituting "subparagraph
(1)(b)";

(vib) by adding -

"(5B) If a contract for the appointment of a manager other than a DMC manager contains no provision for the termination of the manager's appointment, subparagraphs (1), (2), (3) and (5A) apply to the termination of the manager's appointment as they apply to the termination of a DMC manager's appointment.

(5C) Subparagraph (5B) operates without prejudice to any other power there may be in a contract for the appointment of a manager other than a DMC manager to terminate the appointment of the manager.";".

(e) By deleting subparagraph (vii).

28 By adding -

"(h) in paragraph 8 -

(i) by renumbering it as paragraph 8(2);

(ii) by adding -

"(1) Subject to subparagraph (2), if the manager's appointment ends for any reason, he shall, as soon as practicable after his appointment ends, and in any event within 14 days of the date his appointment ends, deliver to the owners' committee (if any) or the manager appointed in his place any movable property in respect of the control, management and administration of the building that is under his control or in his custody or possession, and that belongs to the corporation (if any) or the owners.";

(iii) by repealing subparagraph (2)(b) and substituting -

"(b) deliver to the owners' committee (if any) or the manager appointed in his place any books or records of accounts, papers, documents and other records which are required for the purposes of sub-subparagraph (a) and have not been delivered under subparagraph (1).";

(i) by adding -

"9. Communications among owners

The manager shall consult (either generally or in any particular case) the corporation at a general meeting of the owners and adopt the approach decided by the corporation on the channels of communication among owners on any business relating to the management of the building.".". 29 By adding -

"(ea) by repealing paragraph 8(a) and (b) and substituting -

- "(a) the owners' committee;
 - (b) the manager; or
 - (c) an owner appointed to convene such a meeting by the owners of not less than 5% of the shares in aggregate.";".
- 29(f) In the proposed paragraph 9, in the English text, by deleting "or persons".

29 By adding -

"(ha) by repealing paragraph 12 and substituting -"12. A meeting of owners shall be presided over by the chairman of the owners' committee or, if the meeting is convened under paragraph 8(b) or (c), the person convening the meeting.";".

29 By deleting paragraph (j) and substituting -

"(j) by repealing paragraph 14 and substituting -

"14. (1) An instrument appointing a proxy shall be in the form set out in Form 1 in Schedule 1A, and -

- (a) shall be signed by the owner;or
- (b) if the owner is a body corporate, shall, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in its constitution, be impressed with the seal or chop of the body corporate and signed by a person authorized by the body corporate in that behalf.

(2) The instrument appointing a proxy shall be lodged with the chairman of the owners' committee or, if the meeting is convened under paragraph 8(b) or (c), the person convening the meeting at least 48 hours before the time for the holding of the meeting.".". 32 By deleting paragraph (b) and substituting -

"(b) by repealing paragraph (a) and substituting "(a) sections 3(8), 3A(3F), 4(10) and 40C(9)
 and paragraphs 1(2) and 5 of Schedule 3,
 paragraph 1A of Schedule 6 and paragraph
 11 of Schedule 8 are specified;".".

33(a) By deleting subparagraph (i) and substituting -

"(i) by repealing ", on behalf of the corporation and the occupiers and owners of a building,";".

33 By deleting paragraph (b).

33 By deleting paragraph (c) and substituting -

"(c) in subsection (3), by repealing ", on behalf of the corporation and the occupiers and owners of a building,";".

33(e) By deleting "the treasurer" and substituting "The treasurer".

33(f) In the proposed section 28(6A), by deleting "effected the policy of insurance" and substituting "effected a policy of insurance under subsection (1)".

Part 4 By deleting the Part.

36(3) In paragraph (a), by deleting "an annual general meeting" and substituting "a general meeting".

39 By deleting paragraph (b) and substituting -

"(b) in subsection (3) -

- (i) by repealing "多數票" and substituting"過半數票";
 - (ii) by repealing "委任" and substituting
 "委出";".

40 By deleting paragraph (b) and substituting -

- "(b) in subsection (4) -
 - (i) by repealing "多數票" and substituting"過半數票";
 - (ii) by repealing "委任" and substituting"委出".".
- 44 By deleting the clause and substituting -

"44. Change of name

Section 10(1) is amended -

- (a) by repealing "the Third Schedule" and substituting "Schedule 3";
- (b) in paragraph (a), by repealing

"多數票" and substituting "過半數票";

- (c) in paragraph (b), by repealing "a majority of".".
- 46 By deleting the clause and substituting -

"46. Tenants' representative

Section 15(1) is amended -

- (a) by repealing "by resolution of not less than 50% of the votes" and substituting "by a resolution passed by a majority of the votes";
- (b) by repealing "親自出席或委派代表出席投票" and

substituting "由親自投票或委派代表投票".".

49 By deleting paragraph (a).

New By adding -

"49A. Insurance policy to be made available by management committee for inspection Section 28(2) is amended by repealing "副本費" and substituting "複印費".".

New By adding -

"50A. Powers and duties of an administrator

Section 32(2) is amended by repealing

"determination" and substituting "termination".".

51 By deleting paragraph (b) and substituting -

"(b) in subsection (2) -

- (i) by repealing "the Seventh Schedule" and substituting "Schedule 7";
- (ii) by repealing "多數票" and substituting

"過半數票";".

51(c) By deleting subparagraph (ii) and substituting -

"(ii) in paragraph (b), by repealing "在業主親自出席或委派 代表出席的按照公契召開及進行的業主大會上以多數票" and substituting "在按照公契召開和進行的業主大會上由親自投票 或委派代表投票的業主以過半數票";".

60 By deleting paragraph (d).

60 By adding -

"(e) in paragraph 10(2), by repealing "多數票" and substituting "過半數票".".

64 By deleting paragraph (c) and substituting -

"(c) in paragraph 7(5A)(b) -

- (i) by adding "in aggregate" after "the shares" where it twice appears;
- (ii) by repealing "不少於50%份數" and

substituting "份數不少於50%".".

65 By deleting the clause and substituting -

"65. Terms added if consistent with deed of mutual covenant

The Eighth Schedule is amended, in paragraph 11A(b), by adding "in aggregate" after "the shares".".

66 By deleting the clause and substituting -

"66. Enumeration of owners

Schedule 11 is amended, in paragraph (b), in column 2 of item 1, by repealing "共有人" and substituting "共同 擁有人".".