Bills Committee on <Smoking (Public Health) (Amendment) Bill 2005>

Views and comments to the proposed stage amendments

We request that the following establishments be exempted from prohibition of smoking:

- (a) "bathhouse" within the meaning of section3(1) of the Commercial Bathhouses Regulation Cap.132 sub. leg. I
- (b) "mahjong-tin kau premises licensed under section 22 of the Gambling Ordinance Cap.148

The Bureau adopt a fair and reasonable approach and apply the same standard so that the business would receive the same treatment as with bedspace apartments, rooms or suites of rooms in hotels or guesthouses, smoking areas designated by the Airport Authority, areas set aside in correctional facilities for smoking by prisoners, rooms designated for tobacco tasting in the manufacturing or business premises of a business engaged in the tobacco trade and/or residence of dormitory wardens of universities.

We object to inspector(s) requiring the relevant persons to give his/her name and address and to produce proof of identity, because this will cause abuse of power, is a nuisance to the public and will create unfairness.

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