

**Subcommittee to Study the Transport Needs and Provision of  
Concessionary Public Transport Fares for Persons with Disabilities**

**List of follow-up actions for the 2005-06 session  
(position as at 11 February 2006)**

| <b>Date of meeting</b> | <b>Follow-up actions required</b>   | <b>Administration's response</b>   |
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| 9.1.2006               | <p>The Administration was requested to take the following actions –</p> <p>(a) to provide a list of the work done by the Environment, Transport and Works Bureau (ETWB) and the Health, Welfare and Food Bureau (HWFB) with timing of relevant events on the provision of concessionary public transport fares for persons with disabilities (PwDs) over the past four years or so. The information should include details of the relevant instructions given by the Bureau Secretaries and the forums or occasions at which the Administration discussed the subject with public transport operators;</p> <p>(b) to seek legal advice on whether the non-provision of concessionary public transport fares for those PwDs who need to be accompanied by a carer to use public transport services and/or those PwDs' carers would constitute a contravention of the Disability Discrimination Ordinance (Cap. 487) (DDO); and</p> <p>(c) to work out possible schemes for provision of concessionary public transport fares for PwDs having regard to the principles of equality as implemented by the DDO, to assess the number of PwDs who will benefit under each of the possible schemes, and to discuss with public transport operators the financial implications of those schemes. The advice of the Equal Opportunities Commission and the Department of Justice should be sought in respect of the legal issues that may arise from the schemes.</p> | <p>Relevant information provided by the Administration issued vide LC Paper No. CB(1) 869/05-06(01) on 10 February 2006.</p> |