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From : Clerk to the Legislative Council

To : All Members of the Legislative Council

### Council meeting of 5 May 2010

### Motion on "Medical check-ups for professional drivers"

Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo has given notice to move the attached motion on "Medical check-ups for professional drivers" at the Council meeting of 5 May 2010. The President has directed that "it be printed in the terms in which it was handed in" on the Agenda of the Council.

> ( Mrs Justina LAM ) for Clerk to the Legislative Council

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## (Translation)

# Motion on "Medical check-ups for professional drivers" to be moved by Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo at the Legislative Council meeting of Wednesday, 5 May 2010

### Wording of the Motion

That quite a number of incidents of drivers feeling unwell and becoming unconscious while driving occurred in recent years, with some even resulting in traffic accidents and causing death and injury to drivers, passengers and passers-by, and this causes public concern and worry about the health conditions of professional drivers; as the health problems of professional drivers have direct impact on passenger safety, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously allocate additional resources, and study and formulate policies to motivate professional drivers to undergo regular medical check-ups to safeguard their health as well as the safety of road users, including:

- (a) to study the provision of medical check-up services for professional drivers by public medical institutions, including the Department of Health, the Hospital Authority, etc., and the workers' health centre of the Labour Department;
- (b) to consider requiring professional drivers to submit medical reports to prove that they are physically fit to drive when applying for or renewing driving licences;
- (c) to study the introduction of legislation to require all professional drivers to undergo regular medical check-ups, so as to safeguard road safety and the health of drivers;
- (d) to request the Transport Department to allocate more resources to the relevant activities, including the 'Safe Driving and Health Campaign', 'Health Check Days', etc., so that such activities can cover more professional drivers and the health checks can be conducted in a more comprehensive and thorough manner; and
- (e) to step up the relevant publicity and public education so that more professional drivers will care and know more about their own health conditions.