# 立法會 Legislative Council

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# Paper for the House Committee meeting on 19 November 2010

## Questions scheduled for the Legislative Council meeting on 24 November 2010

### Questions by:

| (1)                          | Dr Hon LAM Tai-fai  | (Oral reply)   | (New question) |
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|                              | (Replacing his previous question)   |  |                |
| (2)                          | Hon WONG Kwok-kin   | (Oral reply)   |                |
| (3)                          | Hon LAU Kong-wah  | (Oral reply)   |                |
| (4)                          | Hon Fred LI Wah-ming  | (Oral reply)   |                |
| (5)                          | Hon IP Kwok-him   | (Oral reply)   |                |
| (6)                          | Hon LEE Wing-tat  | (Oral reply)   |                |
| (7)                          | Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah   | (Written reply   | )              |
| (8)                          | Hon CHAN Kin-por  | (Written reply)  | )              |
| (9)                          | Hon LAU Wong-fat  | (Written reply)  | )              |
| (10)                         | Hon IP Wai-ming   | (Written reply)  | )              |
| (11)                         | Hon Mrs Regina IP LAU Suk-yee   | (Written reply)  | )              |
| (12)                         | Hon James TO Kun-sun  | (Written reply)  | )              |
| (13)                         | Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee  | (Written reply)  | )              |
| (14)                         | Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip   | (Written reply)  | )              |
| (15)                         | Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing  | (Written reply)  | )              |
| (16)                         | Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung   | (Written reply)  | )              |
| (17)                         | Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee  | (Written reply)  | )              |
| (18)                         | Hon WONG Sing-chi   | (Written reply)  | )              |
| (19)                         | Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him  | (Written reply)  | )              |
| (20)                         | Hon CHEUNG Kwok-che   | (Written reply)  | )              |
| (16)<br>(17)<br>(18)<br>(19) | Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee Hon WONG Sing-chi Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him | (Written reply<br>(Written reply<br>(Written reply<br>(Written reply | )<br>)<br>)    |

註 :

NOTE :

- # 議員將採用這種語言提出質詢
- # Member will ask the question in this language

#### 稅務聯合聯絡小組檢討《稅務條例》第39E條的 實施情況

#### #(1) 林大輝議員 (口頭答覆)

財經事務及庫務局局長(下稱"局長")於本年2 月表示,會透過稅務聯合聯絡小組(下稱"小組") 檢討《稅務條例》第39E條(下稱"第39E條")的 實施情況。據悉,小組已於多月前完成檢討, 以及向局方提交檢討報告和建議,但局長多次 在回答本會議員的質詢時,卻只說當局會在切 實可行的情況下盡快完成有關的研究。就此, 政府可否告知本會:

- (一) 當局收到小組的上述報告的確實日期、一直沒有向外透露已收到小組報告和公開報告內容的原因,以及何時會向公眾公布報告內容;
- (二) 上述局長所說的"切實可行的情況"的 意思為何;及
- (三) 有否評估,當局就第39E條進行的檢討 工作出現延誤或處理不善會對工商業 界造成甚麼負面影響,以及身為問責 制下的主要官員,局長要如何負上責 任;如有評估,詳情為何;如否,原 因為何?

Review of the implementation of section 39E of the Inland Revenue Ordinance by the Joint Liaison Committee on Taxation

#### (1) <u>Hon LAM Tai-fai</u> (Oral Reply)

The Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury ("SFST") indicated in February this year that a review of the implementation of section 39E of the Inland Revenue Ordinance ("section 39E") would be conducted through the Joint Liaison Committee on Taxation ("JLCT"). It has been learnt that JLCT had completed the review months ago and submitted its review report and recommendations to the Bureau, but time and again in his replies to the questions raised by Members of this Council, SFST only indicated that the authorities would complete the study as soon as practicable. In this connection, will the Government inform this Council:

- (a) of the exact date of receipt of the aforesaid JLCT report by the authorities, the reasons for not disclosing the receipt of the report and not publicizing its contents all along, and when they will publicize the contents of the report to the public;
- (b) of the meaning of the word "practicable" used by SFST as referred above; and
- (c) whether it has assessed the negative impact on the commerce and industry sector if there is delay in or mishandling of the review of section 39E, and how SFST, as a principal official under the accountability system, should be held responsible; if it has, of the details; if it has not, the reasons for that?