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## Position Report on Bills Committees and subcommittees (as at 15 March 2011)

Summary	1.	Number of Bills Committees in action	:	12	(see <u>List A</u> for details)
	2.	Number of vacant slots of Bills Committee	:	4	
	3.	Number of bill pending decision of House Committee	:	1	(see <u>List B</u> for details)
	4.	Number of bills pending resumption of Second Reading debate	:	3	(see <u>List C</u> for details)
	5.	Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration and Operating Expenses Reimbursement	:		(see <u>List D</u> for details)
	6.	Number of subcommittees on subsidiary legislation/draft subsidiary legislation/other instruments in action	:	4	(see <u>List E</u> for details)
	7.	Number of subcommittees on policy issues under House Committee in action	:	2	(see <u>List F</u> for details)
	8.	Number of other subcommittees under House Committee in action	:	2	(see <u>List G</u> for details)
	9.	Number of subcommittees under Panels in action	:	8	(see <u>List H</u> for details)
	10.	Number of subcommittees on policy issues on waiting list	:	4	(see <u>List I</u> for details)

		List A : Bills Com	ımittees i	n action		
Name of Bills Committee Clerk  1. Bills Committee on Buildings (Amendment) Bill 2010 - Ms Annette LAM CCS(1)7 Tel: 2869 9212	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council 3.2.10	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 5.2.10  Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP (Chairman)  Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, SBS, S.B.St.J., JP (Deputy Chairman)	17 19.2.10 20.3.10 (2 sessions) 31.3.10 19.4.10	Date to report to House Committee 14.5.10 (Verbal report)	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks  Next meeting to be held on 16.3.11 to meet with the Administration.
<ul> <li>2. Bills Committee on Legal Practitioners (Amendment) Bill 2010</li> <li>- Miss Mary SO CCS(3)3 Tel: 2869 9268</li> </ul>	30.6.10	2.7.10  Dr Hon Margaret NG	5 14.7.10 17.9.10 5.10.10 25.11.10 27.1.11	8.10.10 (Verbal report)		Next meeting to be scheduled.

Name of Bills Committee Clerk  3. Bills Committee on Residential Care Homes (Persons with Disabilities) Bill - Miss Betty MA CCS(2)4 Tel: 2869 9255	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council 30.6.10	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 2.7.10  Hon WONG Sing-chi	Date and number of meetings held  10 9.7.10 27.9.10 25.10.10 5.11.10 3.12.10 17.12.10 4.1.11 20.1.11 11.2.11 24.2.11	Date to report to House Committee 8.10.10 (Verbal report)	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks  Next meeting to be held on 29.3.11 to meet with the Administration.
<ul> <li>4. Bills Committee on Communications Authority Bill</li> <li>- Ms YUE Tin-po CCS(1)3 Tel: 2899 2127</li> </ul>	30.6.10	2.7.10  Hon LAU Kong-wah, JP (Chairman)  Dr Hon Samson TAM Wai-ho, JP (Deputy Chairman)	9 22.7.10 7.10.10 4.11.10 26.11.10 7.12.10 11.1.11 27.1.11 17.2.11 8.3.11	8.10.10 (Verbal report)		Next meeting to be held on 31.3.11 to meet with the Administration.
<ul> <li>5. Bills Committee on Adaptation of Laws (Military References)</li> <li>Bill 2010</li> <li>- Mrs Sharon TONG</li> <li>PCS(2)</li> <li>Tel: 2878 7614</li> </ul>	14.7.10	8.10.10 Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP	5 9.11.10 14.12.10 18.1.11 10.2.11 28.2.11	21.1.11 (Verbal report)		Next meeting to be held on 31.3.11 to meet with the Administration.

Name of Bills Committee Clerk  6. Bills Committee on Securities and Futures and Companies Legislation (Structured Products Amendment) Bill 2010 - Ms Anita SIT CCS(1)5 Tel: 2869 9244	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council 14.7.10	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 8.10.10 Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, JP	8 26.10.10	Date to report to House Committee 21.1.11 (Verbal report) 1.4.11	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Reporting to the House Committee on 1.4.11.
<ul> <li>7. Bills Committee on Competition Bill</li> <li>- Ms Debbie YAU CCS(1)6</li> <li>Tel: 2869 9498</li> </ul>	14.7.10	8.10.10  Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen, GBS, JP (Chairman)  Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah, SC (Deputy Chairman)	10 25.10.10 9.11.10 29.11.10 (2 sessions) 30.11.10 20.12.10 17.1.11 25.1.11 15.2.11 22.2.11 15.3.11	21.1.11 (Verbal report)		Next meeting to be held on 29.3.11 to meet with the Administration.
<ul> <li>8. Bills Committee on Legislation Publication Bill</li> <li>- Mr Thomas WONG CCS(2)2</li> <li>Tel: 2869 9253</li> </ul>	20.10.10	22.10.10  Dr Hon Margaret NG	5 22.11.10 7.1.11 24.1.11 14.2.11 9.3.11	18.2.11 (Verbal report)		Next meeting to be held on 28.3.11 to meet with the Administration.

Name of Bills Committee Clerk  9. Bills Committee on Anti-Money Laundering and Counter- Terrorist Financing (Financial Institutions) Bill - Ms Anita SIT CCS(1)5 Tel: 2869 9244	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council 10.11.10	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 12.11.10  Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP (Chairman)  Hon James TO Kun-sun (Deputy Chairman)	9 30.11.10 9.12.10 22.12.10 7.1.11 13.1.11 24.1.11 9.2.11 17.2.11 14.3.11	Date to report to House Committee 18.2.11 (Verbal report)	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Next meeting to be held on 17.3.11 to meet with the Administration.
<ul> <li>10. Bills Committee on University of Hong Kong (Amendment)</li> <li>Bill 2010</li> <li>- Ms Amy YU</li> <li>CCS(2)6</li> <li>Tel: 2509 0640</li> </ul>	24.11.10	26.11.10 Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan	3 10.12.10 18.1.11 9.2.11	11.3.11 (Verbal report)		Next meeting to be held on 4.4.11 to meet with The University of Hong Kong and the Administration.
11. Bills Committee on Stamp Duty (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill 2010 - Miss Becky YU CCS(1)1 Tel: 2869 9213	8.12.10	10.12.10  Hon James TO Kun-sun	7 17.12.10 21.12.10 4.1.11 21.1.11 9.2.11 23.2.11 10.3.11	11.3.11 (Verbal report)		Next meeting to be held on 24.3.11 to meet with deputations and the Administration.
<ul> <li>12. Bills Committee on Companies Bill</li> <li>- Ms Connie SZETO</li> <li>CCS(1)4</li> <li>Tel: 2869 9382</li> </ul>	26.1.11	11.2.11  Hon Paul CHAN Mo-po, MH, JP (Chairman)  Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, JP (Deputy Chairman)	2 25.2.11 14.3.11			Next meeting to be held on 29.3.11 to meet with the Administration.

	List B : Bill pending	decision of Hous	se Committee	
Name of Bill  1. Inland Revenue (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill 2011	Object(s) of the Bill  To amend the Inland Revenue Ordinance to provide for the deduction in ascertaining profits chargeable to tax	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council 9.3.11	Date of House Committee meeting(s) at which the Bill was/ will be considered 11.3.11	Remarks  At the House Committee meeting on 11.3.11, Members noted that the Legal Service Division was continuing its
	under the Ordinance of capital expenditure incurred on the purchase of a copyright, registered design or registered trade mark, to modify the provisions of the Ordinance governing such deduction of capital expenditure incurred on the purchase of patent rights and rights to any know-how, and to provide for incidental matters.			scrutiny of the Bill and would provide a further report if necessary.

Lis	st C : Bills pendi	ng resumption of Se	cond Reading d	ebate
	Date of	Date of House Committee	Date of resumption	
	introduction of Bill	meeting(s) at which the	of Second Reading	
Name of Bill	into Legislative	Bill was considered	debate (if known)	Remarks
	Council			
1. Inland Revenue (Amendment) Bill	16.2.11	18.2.11	16.3.11	The Administration has given notice to
2011		25.2.11		resume the Second Reading debate on the
				Bill at the Council meeting of 16.3.11.
2. Food Safety Bill	2.6.10	4.6.10	30.3.11	The Administration has given notice to
		8.10.10		resume the Second Reading debate on the
		11.3.11		Bill at the Council meeting of 30.3.11.
3. Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes	2.3.11	11.3.11		
(Amendment) Bill 2011				

List D : Subcommitt	ee on Members' Remun	eration and	Operating l	Expenses Reimbursement
	Date of formation of	Date and	Date to report	
Name of Subcommittee	Subcommittee	number of	to House	
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	meetings held	Committee	Remarks
Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration	17.10.08	5	18.3.11	The Subcommittee will submit a report to the
and Operating Expenses Reimbursement		18.11.08		House Committee on 18 March 2011
- Mr Andy LAU	Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP	25.6.09		recommending a package of proposals to
PCS(A)	-	14.9.10		increase the level of Members' Operating
Tel: 2869 9480		4.10.10		Expenses Reimbursement to support the work of
		15.2.11		Legislative Council Members.

List E: Subcommittees on subsidiary legislation/draft subsidiary legislation/other instruments in action Date of formation of Date to report Date and Name of Subcommittee Subcommittee to House number of Clerk Chairman/Deputy Chairman meetings held Committee Remarks 1. Subcommittee on Securities and Futures 25.2.11 Next meeting to be held on 17.3.11 to meet with 8.3.11 Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule 5) the Administration. Notice 2011 and Securities and Futures Hon James TO Kun-sun (Financial Resources) (Amendment) **Rules 2011** - Ms Anita SIT CCS(1)5 Tel: 2869 9244 2. Subcommittee on Public Revenue 11.3.11 The Chairman of the House Committee will move a motion at the Council meeting of Protection (Motor Vehicles First Registration Tax) Order 2011 16.3.11 to extend the scrutiny period of the - Ms Joanne MAK Order to 4.5.2011. CCS(1)2 First meeting to be held on 24.3.11 to elect the Tel: 2869 9577 Chairman and meet with the Administration. Subcommittee on Public Revenue 11.3.11 The Chairman of the House Committee will Protection (Dutiable Commodities) Order move a motion at the Council meeting of 2011 16.3.11 to extend the scrutiny period of the - Ms YUE Tin-po Order to 4.5.2011. CCS(1)3 Tel: 2899 2127 First meeting to be held on 24.3.11 to elect the Chairman and meet with the Administration. 11.3.11 4. Subcommittee on Mutual Legal First meeting to be held on 24.3.11 to elect the Assistance in Criminal Matters (India) Chairman and meet with the Administration. Order - Mr Raymond LAM CCS(2)1 Tel: 2869 9254

List F : Subcom	nmittees on policy issues	under House Con	nmittee in action
Name of Subcommittee Clerk  1. Subcommittee to Study Issues Arising from	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 17.10.08	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee  To study issues arising from Lehman Brothers-
Lehman Brothers-related Minibonds and Structured Financial Products  - Miss Polly YEUNG PCS(SC)1 Tel: 2869 9246	Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, SBS, S.B.St.J., JP (Chairman)  Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong, GBS (Deputy Chairman)	(27.10.08)	related minibonds and structured financial products and to make recommendations where necessary.
<ul> <li>Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to Mainland-HKSAR Families</li> <li>Miss Betty MA CCS(2)4         Tel: 2869 9255</li> </ul>	2.1.09  Hon LEE Cheuk-yan (Chairman)  Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung (Deputy Chairman)	16 (16.1.09)	To study the population policy and measures relating to Mainland-Hong Kong families, and make recommendations in this regard.

List G: Ot	her subcommittees und	er House Committ	tee in action
	Date of formation of	Number of meetings	
Name of Subcommittee	Subcommittee	held	
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	(Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee
1. Subcommittee to Examine the Implementation	7.11.08	8	To examine the implementation in Hong Kong
in Hong Kong of Resolutions of the United		(1.12.08)	resolutions of the United Nations Security
Nations Security Council in relation to	Dr Hon Margaret NG		Council in relation to sanctions by Regulations
Sanctions			made under section 3 of the United Nations
- Ms YUE Tin-po			Sanctions Ordinance (Cap. 537) and to follow up
CCS(1)3			the recommendations made by the previous
Tel: 2899 2127			Subcommittee.
<ul> <li>2. Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to the Power of the Legislative Council to Amend Subsidiary Legislation</li> <li>- Mrs Sharon TONG PCS(2)</li> <li>Tel: 2878 7614</li> </ul>	21.1.11  Dr Hon Margaret NG	1 (22.2.11)	To study issues relating to the power of the Legislative Council to amend subsidiary legislation which is subject to section 34 of the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance (Cap. 1) and the respective roles of the Legislature and the Executive Authorities under the Basic Law in the legislative process, and to make recommendations to the House Committee where necessary.

	List H:	Subcommittees under	r Panels in action	
Name of Subcommittee		Date of formation of Subcommittee	Number of meetings held	
Clerk	Panel	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	(Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee
Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways     Ms Joanne MAK     CCS(1)2     Tel: 2869 9577	Panel on Transport	24.10.08  Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee, GBS, JP	29 (21.11.08)	To follow up various issues relating to the planning and implementation of new railway projects, and the operation of existing railways.
<ul> <li>2. Subcommittee on Improving Air Quality</li> <li>- Miss Becky YU CCS(1)1</li> <li>Tel: 2869 9213</li> </ul>	Panel on Environmental Affairs	24.11.08  Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP	13 (10.12.08)	To monitor and study policies as well as public concerns on improving air quality.
<ul> <li>3. Subcommittee on Harbourfront Planning</li> <li>- Ms Connie SZETO CCS(1)4</li> <li>Tel: 2869 9382</li> </ul>	Panel on Development	25.11.08  Prof Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing, SBS, JP	8 (5.12.08)	To monitor and study the planning, land use and related issues in respect of the harbourfront areas on both sides of the Victoria Harbour.
<ul> <li>Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project</li> <li>Mr Thomas WONG CCS(2)2         Tel: 2869 9253</li> </ul>	Panel on Home Affairs and Panel on Development	Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP (Chairman)  Hon LEE Wing-tat (Deputy Chairman)	11 (19.12.08)	To monitor issues relating to the implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District project, including the work of the West Kowloon Cultural District Authority, the project's interface with arts and cultural development, and other related matters.

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List I : Subcommittees on policy issues on waiting list			
Name of Subcommittee	Date of appointment of Subcommittee	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
Subcommittee on Retirement     Protection under the Panel on     Welfare Services	10.1.11	To study issues relating to the protection of retirement life of all people, and to follow up on the proposal of setting up and implementation of universal retirement protection for all people in Hong Kong.	21.1.11, Members agreed to the proposal of the
2. Subcommittee on Improving Barrier Free Access and Facilities for Persons with Disabilities under the Panel on Welfare Services	10.1.11	To monitor the Government's follow-up action on the 23 recommendations in the Equal Opportunities Commission's Formal Investigation Report on Accessibility in Publicity Accessible Premises, as well as to study issues relating to the provision of a barrier-free environment and facilities for persons with disabilities, and make recommendations when necessary.	21.1.11, Members agreed that the Subcommittee could be activated after the Subcommittee on Residential and Community Care Services for Persons with Disabilities and the Elderly under
3. Subcommittee on Registration of Proprietary Chinese Medicines under the Panel on Health Services	14.3.11	To review the mandatory registration of proprietary Chinese medicines and the implementation of the relevant provisions in the Chinese Medicines Ordinance (Cap. 549) and the Chinese Medicines Regulations (Cap. 549F).	At the meeting of the Panel on Health Services on 14 March 2011, members agreed to seek the approval of the House Committee to activate the work of the Subcommittee.
4. Subcommittee to study the subject of poverty alleviation	_	_	The proposal will be considered at the House Committee on 18 March 2011.